

Dear FDA Commissioner,

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I realize I am little late in writing regarding my opposition to the the FDA's proposed new rule and guidance on genetically engineered foods. However, I still feel compelled to voice my **opinion** as a consumer of food (hopefully not genetically engineered). I oppose the agency's voluntary labeling and notification proposals in support of all the points in the citizen's petition currently before the agency (docket No. OON-1396, and 00D-1598).

As a consumer, I strongly favor the explicit labeling of **all** genetically engineered or modified foods so that I am informed and have a choice in the matter.

I also strongly believe that it is folly to assume that genetically engineered foods are "generally recognized as safe", but rather should have mandatory pm-market safety testing.

In addition, there should be a moratorium on genetically engineered foods (**and other industrial/economic** crops) until long-term (I am an **archaeologist**, so I am **particularly** concerned about the shortness of politicians' ideas of what "long-term" means).

I realize that the FDA must receive an overwhelming number of letters and **emails**, and that this letter will be tallied as a simple "negative on **GEs**" response, but I still have some faith in our elected and appointed officials to listen to concerned **Americans**.

Sincerely,



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